

Motion to pass.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—I beg to move :

“That the Mysore Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Bill, 1963, as amended, be passed.”

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That the Mysore Town and Country Planning (Amendment) Bill, 1963, as amended, be passed.”

The motion was adopted.

ROBERTSONPET MUNICIPALITY (FORMATION AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) BILL, 1962.

Motion to consider.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, I move:

“That the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1962, be taken into consideration.”

Mr. SPEAKER.—Motion moved:

“That the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1962, be taken into consideration.”

ಶ್ರೀ ಕೆ. ಪುಟ್ಟಸ್ವಾಮಿ.—ಸ್ವಾಮಿ, ಇದು ಬಹಳ ಕಾಲದಿಂದ ಈ ಸಭೆಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಂಥ ಅಶ್ವಾಸನೆಯನ್ನು ಪೂರ್ಣವಾಗಿ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ತಂದಿರತಕ್ಕ ಮಸೂದೆ. ಇದನ್ನು ಎಲ್ಲರೂ ಸ್ವಾಗತಿಸುತ್ತಾರೆಂದು ನಾನು ನಂಬಿದ್ದೇನೆ. 1916ರಿಂದ ಕೆ. ಬಿ. ಎಫ್. ಪ್ರದೇಶದಲ್ಲಿ ಸ್ವಾನಿಹರಿ ಬೋರ್ಡು ಇತ್ತು. ಸ್ವಾನಿಹರಿ ಬೋರ್ಡು ಸರಕಾರದಿಂದ ನಾಮಕರಣ ಹೊಂದಲ್ಪಟ್ಟ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಅಡಳಿತ ನಡೆಸುತ್ತಾ ಇತ್ತು. ಅಲ್ಲಿಯ ಅಡಳಿತ ಕೆಲವು ವೇಳೆ ಅಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಗೆ ಒಳಗಾಗಿದ್ದು ಉಂಟು. ಅಲ್ಲದೆ ಆ ಭಾಗದಲ್ಲಿ ಬೆಸದಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ರಾಬರ್ಟ್‌ಸನ್ ಪೇಟೆಯವರು ಪುರಸಭೆ ಮಾಡಿಕೊಳ್ಳಬೇಕು ಎಂದು ಬಹಳ ಕಾಲದಿಂದಲೂ ಒತ್ತಾಯ ಮಾಡುತ್ತಿದ್ದರು. ಅದಕ್ಕೆ ಪುರಸಭೆಯ ಅಧಿಕಾರವನ್ನು ಕೊಡುವ ಭರವಸೆಯನ್ನು ಸರಕಾರ ಅನೇಕವೇಳೆ ನೀಡುತ್ತಾ ಕಾರಣದಿಂದ ಇದುವರೆಗೆ ಆ ಕಾರ್ಯ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಆಗಿರಲಿಲ್ಲ. ಈಗ ಈ ಮಸೂದೆಯ ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿದ್ದಂಥ ಭರವಸೆಯನ್ನು ಈ ಡೇರಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಈಗ ಮಸೂದೆಗೆ ಈ ಸಭೆಯ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆ ದೊರೆತಮೇಲೆ, 1951ನೇ ಇಸವಿ ಪುರಸಭೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಪ್ರಕಾರ ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಒಂದು ಟೌನ್ ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಟಿಯನ್ನು ತರುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಾಧ್ಯವಾಗುತ್ತದೆ. ಟೌನ್ ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಟಿ ಬಂದನಂತರ, ಅಪ್ರೆಂಟಿಸ್ ನಾವು ಈ ಸಭೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ನಿನಗೆ ದಿನ ಪಾನಮಾಡಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಮಸೂದೆ ಕಾನೂನು ಅಗಬಹುದು. ಈ ಕಾನೂನು ಅದಂಥ ವೇಳೆಯಲ್ಲಿ ಅದು ಟೌನ್ ಮುನಿಸಿಪಾಲಟಿಯಾಗಬೇಕೋ, ಏನೇ ಎನ್ನುವುದನ್ನು ನಿರ್ಧಾರಮಾಡಬೇಕು. ಈಗತಾನೆ ಒಪ್ಪಿಗೆ ಕೊಟ್ಟಿರುವ ಮಸೂದೆ ಪ್ರಕಾರ 50 ಸಹಸ್ರ ಪ್ರಜಾಸಂಖ್ಯೆಗಿಂತ ಒಂದು ಏರಿಯಾದಲ್ಲಿ ಹೆಚ್ಚಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಅದನ್ನು ನಗರ (ಸಿಟಿ) ಸಭೆ ಮಾಡಬೇಕೆಂದಿದೆ. ಮಾನ್ಯ ಸದಸ್ಯರಾದ ರಾಜಗೋಪಾಲರವರು ನಗರಸಭೆ ದರ್ಜೆಯ ಪುರಸಭೆ ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಬಯಸುತ್ತಾರೆ. ಅಲ್ಲಿ ಜನಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 50 ಸಹಸ್ರಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಕಡಿಮೆ ಇದೆಯೋ, ಹೆಚ್ಚಿದೆಯೋ ನನಗೆ ಗೊತ್ತಿಲ್ಲ. ಅಲ್ಲಿರತಕ್ಕಂಥ ಪ್ರಜಾಸಂಖ್ಯೆ 50 ಸಹಸ್ರಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಸ್ವಲ್ಪಕಡಿಮೆ ಇದ್ದರೂ ಅಲ್ಲಿನ ಸಮಸ್ಯೆಗಳು ನಿರೀಕ್ಷಿಸುವುದಕ್ಕಿಂತ ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಪ್ರಮಾಣದ್ದಾಗಿದ್ದರೆ ಅವುಗಳನ್ನು ಗಮನಕ್ಕೆ ತೆಗೆದುಕೊಂಡು ಅದನ್ನು ನಗರಸಭೆಯನ್ನಾಗಿ ಮಾಡುವುದಕ್ಕೆ ಯಾವ ಅಕ್ಷೇಪಣೆಯೂ ಬರುವುದಿಲ್ಲ. ಆದ್ದರಿಂದ ಈ ಸಭೆ ಈ ಮಸೂದೆಯನ್ನು ಸ್ವಾಗತಿಸಿ ಇದಕ್ಕೆ ಸಮ್ಮತಿಯನ್ನು ಕೊಡಬೇಕೆಂದು ಕೇಳಿಕೊಳ್ಳುತ್ತೇನೆ.

† **Sri D. VENKATARAMAIA.**—Mr. Speaker, I wholeheartedly welcome this piece of legislation. Under the Mysore Mines Act, 1903, in the year 1916 a Sanitary Board was formed. Municipalities came into

force in the rest of the old Mysore area. But for full 57 years, nearly 50 years, this sanitary board has been functioning in that area. Though from the year 1950 the Robertsonpet people had the franchise to elect a Member to the Assembly and to Parliament, they had no civic right to elect a person to any municipal council. The K.G.F. area is the third biggest State in the entire old Mysore area. But still, no municipality was formed. There were a number of representations and particularly when I saw a member of the Cabinet, this was one of the points put forth before him. It is rather anomalous that though a Bill was introduced in the year 1951, somehow it was withdrawn. Later in 1954 it was introduced but at the consideration stage, it was taken back. In the year 1957, again it was introduced and it was taken back. As a matter of fact, even at this stage some of the people of Robertsonpet thought that after the introduction of this Bill, again it would go back. I am glad and I must congratulate the Hon'ble Minister for Local Self-Government on having taken the courage to bring the Bill before the House. The Sanitary Board now consists of the mining and non-mining area. The present legislation is only regarding that part of the Mysore Mining area. If the other territory is also included in schedule 1, the population will be more than 75,000. Just now the Hon'ble Minister gave an assurance that if the population of that area was nearly 75,000 or if the problems concerned were rather important, its claims to become a city Municipal council would be considered. I am extremely glad for the assurance that has been given and with the hope that the Robertsonpet Municipality would immediately become a City Municipality, I wholeheartedly welcome this piece of legislation. Thank you.

† Sri S. RAJAGOPAL (KGF).—Mr. Speaker Sir, this is an admission of the failure of this Government to put forward a proper scheme of democratic administration for 16 years even after our Independence. The Bill seeks to split a homogenous area into a mining and a non-mining area and villages around. Why is it necessary to effect this split here? One reason is that the workers would have possibly a majority which the vested interests may not like. It is also against the interest of the S.C. class people who are mostly living in the mining area. In this area, since they will be deprived of all this representation because of that interest, this Bill has been placed here in this manner. That is my inference. In the past, an attempt was made to harmonise the various interests and a Bill as my Hon'ble friend has suggested, was placed in this Assembly in 1951. It was moved in this Assembly and it was referred to a Select Committee and that Select Committee has given some report. Where is the necessity for the Hon'ble Minister now to come forward with some other Bill, completely forgetting the Bill which was placed in 1951? I cannot understand why this Bill...

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—That would have given you a very limited right.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—Whatever it is, this Bill will weaken the Municipal administration itself and if you are passing this Bill...

Sri D. VENKATARAMAIA.—A Member of your party wanted the Bill to be withdrawn at that time.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—The Ruling Party also was responsible for it. Till today, the Sanitary Board has been able to run a good administration. It is very expensive, we are collecting 6½ lakhs as revenue per year and we are spending 4½ lakhs on administration. With the remaining 2 lakhs, we are not in a position to spend on civic items. So, now that we are trying to exclude this mining area as well as villages as suggested in schedule 2, automatically the revenue will come down.

If that area goes, automatically the revenue also is cut down. While we are getting Rs. 6½ lakhs, we are spending Rs. 4½ lakhs on the administration and Rs. 2 lakhs on the civic administration. How best you are going to meet the cost for sanitation is the question. The Sanitary Board have already committed themselves to several things. They have taken up College education, they are running two high schools, and several middle, primary and nursery schools. If we are limiting this area, it will have more severe effect on the people and there will be heavier burden. They will have to pay more taxes than they are paying now. While you are having good intention to get this Bill passed, I request you to consider creating a city municipality for Robertsonpet, instead of town municipality, including the mining area as well. I do not know why you are completely excluding the mining area. Are you not able to concede civic rights to those people also? How best we are running the Sanitary Board as such is also a point to be considered. Of course there is difficulty in combining the mining area with the non-mining area; but it is not a tough problem to solve. Some solution is there. If you apply your mind properly, you will definitely solve the problem. Already villages have been formed into village panchayats and the population is being reduced. I request you to use discretion for the time being to make the area into a city municipality. I do not know why you are not in a position to include the mining area as well. What difficulty is there?

Coming to the clauses, I have one or two observations to make. I cannot understand why throughout this Bill there is a reference to the Mysore Town Municipalities Act, 1961; and not the Municipalities Act, 1963.

Mr. SPEAKER.—That is to be passed by the Legislative Council and then it has to receive the assent of the President and be placed on the Statute Book. Then alone it becomes operative. Therefore, the Hon'ble Member cannot refer to that Act.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—I stand corrected. Another thing. The municipal council to be conceded for Robertsonpet area should be treated as city municipal council. You will have to take into consideration the experience we have gained in the Sanitary Board administration.

Clause 4 provides for the manner of distribution of assets. I cannot see any reason why the basis of distribution of these assets should not be indicated. I would at least suggest that Government should take a final decision only after hearing the concerned persons living there. So, that aspect also should be taken into account.

I have already referred to the mining area. What will be the position of the mining area, I cannot understand. The Minister will explain what will be the position of the mining area at least at a later stage when this Bill is passed. I request Government to consider creating a city municipality for Robertsonpet and clarify assets and other things concerning the mining area people, the position of certain villages which have already been formed into village panchayats, revenue, etc.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—The Hon'ble Member Sri Rajagopal drew my attention to the reasons for excluding the Second Schedule. If the Second Schedule is looked into, we will find 76 villages, which are situated at various distances. In the case of such of those villages which are near Robertsonpet or Andersonpet, if the municipality wants to extend its boundary under the Town Municipalities Act, Government shall have no objection and if the population is to exceed 50,000 or if the problems are such as to permit the raising of the status of the municipality to that of a city municipality, I am sure Government will certainly consider it and do it. Sri Rajagopal asked another question about the distribution of assets. The Hon'ble Member knows that now there is a nominated Sanitary Board. All the members of the Sanitary Board are officials. Naturally we will consult the Sanitary Board. It is the Sanitary Board which will have to make the proposals as to the division of assets and then Government will certainly bestow sufficient attention before dividing the assets between the several authorities that are going to come into existence.

Sri Rajagopal also asked another question regarding the future of the mining area. As every one knows, in the mining area the authority that should look after the civic needs of the mining area is the mining authority. The people living in the mining area are their employees. Most of the houses that are built there are the houses belonging to the mining authorities and therefore, it is the bounden duty of the mining authorities to make necessary arrangements for the civic administration of that area.

Yesterday the House passed certain provisions for the selection of a notified area and when the Bill that was passed yesterday becomes law, the mining area will be the notified area and the notified area committee will make proper arrangements for the civic needs of the people. Sri Rajagopal asked another question about the civic rights of the people. In the notified area also, representation will be given to the persons residing in that area on the Committee. Therefore, there can be no difficulty and this Bill will be a welcome measure and I am sure the House will accord unanimous support to it.

5-30 P.M.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—There is one more point, Sir. I want to know what the position of the employees in the Sanitary Board area would be.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, I give an assurance that their rights would be safeguarded.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That the Rebertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1962, be taken into consideration”.

The motion was adopted.

Mr. SPEAKER.—There are certain amendments which have been circulated. I will require a little clarification. In view of what I have already said, the Member will agree that the amendments are wrongly worded. All those amendments will go.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—I do not move them, Sir.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That clauses 2 and 3 stand part of the Bill”.

The motion was adopted.

Clauses 2 and 3 were added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Clause 4.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—I do not move the amendment.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The other amendments also go automatically, because they all relate to clause 4. The question is :

“That clauses 4 and 5 stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Clauses 4 and 5 were added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Amendment to clause 6 not moved. The question is :

“That clause 6 stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Clause 6 was added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That clauses 7 to 10, both inclusive, stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Clauses 7 to 10, both inclusive, were added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Schedule I. No Amendments are moved. The question is :

“That Schedule I stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Schedule I was added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Schedule II. The question is :

“That Schedule II stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Schedule II was added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Schedule III ; there are two amendments.

Sri S. RAJAGOPAL.—I am not moving both the amendments.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That Schedule III stand part of the Bill”

The motion was adopted.

Schedule III was added to the Bill.

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That clause 1, the Preamble and the Title stand part of the Bill.”

The motion was adopted.

Clause 1, the Preamble and the Title were added to the Bill.

Motion to pass.

Sri K. PUTTASWAMY.—Sir, I beg to move :

“That the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1962, be passed”

Mr. SPEAKER.—The question is :

“That the Robertsonpet Municipality (Formation and Miscellaneous Provisions) Bill, 1962, be passed”.

The motion was adopted.

MYSORE FIRE FORCE BILL, 1963.

Motion to consider.

Sri R. M. PATIL (Minister for Home).—Sir, I beg to move :

“That the Mysore Fire Force Bill, 1963, be taken into consideration”.

Mr. SPEAKER.—Motion moved :

“That the Mysore Fire Force Bill, 1963, be taken into consideration.”

L.A.